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City celebrates Environment Day

Mysuru, June 5 (RKB&BNR)- The District Administration and Forest Department had jointly organised a programme to mark World Environment Day celebrations at Sringeri Jagadguru Bharathi Theertha Swamiji Park in J.P. Nagar here this morning.

District Minister S.T. Somashekar planted saplings and distributed saplings on the occasion. Mysuru Royal Family member Yaduveer Krishnadatta Chamaraja Wadiyar, MLA S.A. Ramdas, District Co-operative Union President H.V. Rajeev, City BJP President T.S. Srivatsa, Deputy Commissioner (DC) Abhiram G. Sankar, City Police Commissioner Dr. Chandragupta, DCF Dr. K.C. Prashanth

Kumar, DCF-Wildlife Alexander and others were present.

Yaduveer, who spoke after the launch, said "Mysuru is a region of biodiversity. It has to be conserved. Everyone should have environment awareness. Those visiting Chamundi Hill should not carry plastic items of any form. Even if they carry, they should make sure that they get it back without throwing it there. This habit should be cultivated among all. Earlier, our elders did not have plastics. They used cloth bags and bamboo baskets. The same has to be followed by us now. Face mask and social distancing too has to be maintained during this Corona time."

'As unlocking has begun, it is more of public responsibility'

DC Abhiram G. Sankar, who himself is a nature-lover and an avid birder, said: "Forest resource does not mean only plants and trees. Animals, birds and insects are also part of forest resources which have to be conserved forever. Our earlier generations have safeguarded environment with care, we should also conserve it and give it to our next generations."

Stating that relaxation of lockdown has begun and restrictions are being removed in a phased manner, the DC said that hotels, resorts, safari, temples and religious places will be opening for public and added "Mask and social distancing has to be maintained and it is now more of public responsibility to safeguard kids, senior citizens and pregnant women. Your health is your responsibility."

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Mysuru District Minister's Office opens at new DC Office Complex

Mysuru, June 5- The Mysuru District in-charge Minister S.T. Somashekar's Office was inaugurated at the new District Offices Complex at the German Press premises in Siddarthanagar on Mysuru-Bannur Road in city this morning by cutting the tape and offering puja.

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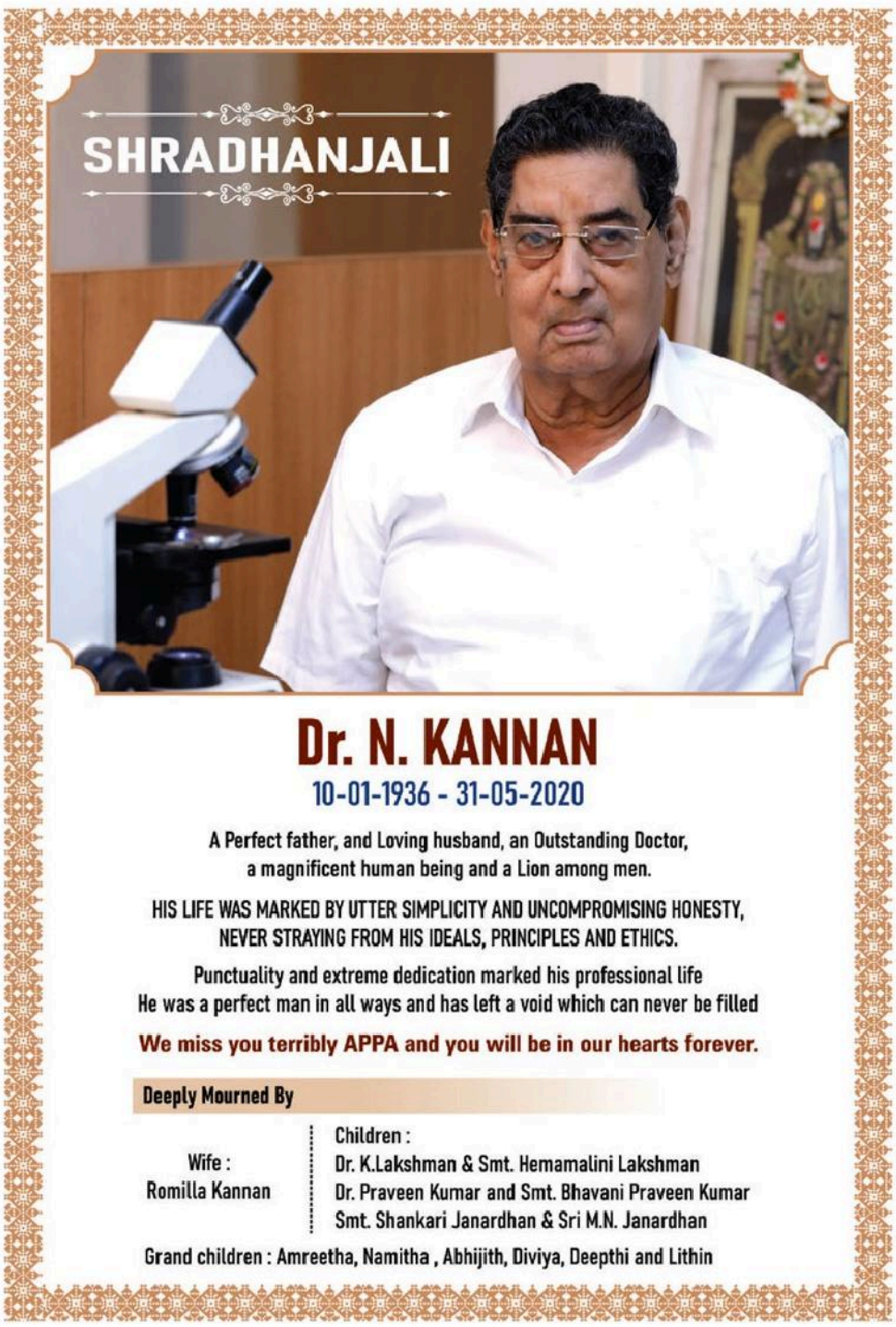
STAR PUNCH

By Satish Acharya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Dr. N. KANNAN
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A Perfect father, and Loving husband, an Outstanding Doctor,
a magnificent human being and a Lion among men.
HIS LIFE WAS MARKED BY UTTER SIMPLICITY AND UNCOMPROMISING HONESTY,
NEVER STRAYING FROM HIS IDEALS, PRINCIPLES AND ETHICS.
Punctuality and extreme dedication marked his professional life
He was a perfect man in all ways and has left a void which can never be filled
We miss you terribly APPA and you will be in our hearts forever.
Deeply Mourned By
Wife :
Romilla Kannan
Children :
Dr. K.Lakshman & Smt. Hemamalini Lakshman
Dr. Praveen Kumar and Smt. Bhavani Praveen Kumar
Smt. Shankari Janardhan & Sri M.N. Janardhan
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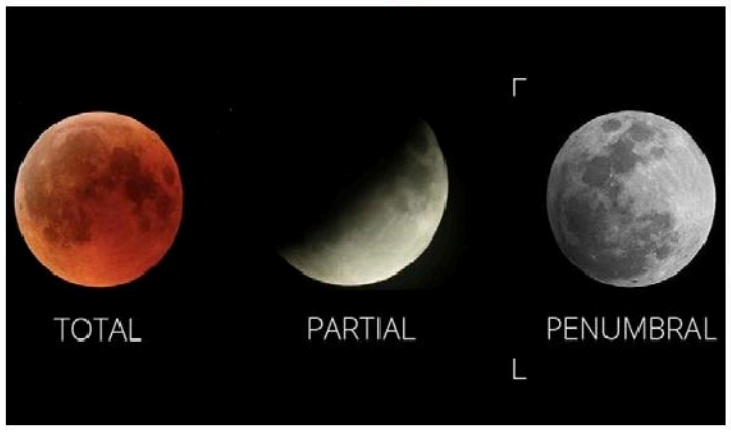
SKYWATCH

Penumbral Lunar Eclipse on June 5, 6

Golden opportunity to witness 'Strawberry Moon'



December 26 of 2019 seems to be really memorable and astounding for Indians, as everyone witnessed the spectacular annular solar eclipse! Even though it was overcast and murky from Mysuru and Bengaluru, somehow Mysureans managed to see this rare astronomical spectacle with utmost difficulty. Suddenly all may start to think, why speaking about eclipse now? The answer is very obvious. Tonight, Indians can witness the second lunar eclipse of the year. The most conspicuous, amazing, striking, impressive and evident astronomical event in the sky is an 'Eclipse.' None can forget the mesmerising Supermoon, Bloodmoon Total Lunar Eclipse that occurred on January 31 and July 27 of 2018! This astronomical occurrence has been memorable and millions witnessed this spectacular spectacle. Last year on July 27-28, Indians were greatly privileged to witness a regular longest duration 'Total Lunar Eclipse' of this century.

This year, we have been extremely privileged to witness three Penumbral Lunar Eclipses and one partial Solar Eclipse from any part of India. All Penumbral Lunar Eclipses in 2020 are hard-to-see, whereby the Moon misses the dark umbra but travels through the outer faint penumbra. However, tonight, Penumbral Eclipse on June 5-6, 2020, will be quite awesome to notice a 'Strawberry Moon.' We have a chance of detecting the slight darkening on the Full Moon's face. This form of eclipse will be visible from all parts of India and also in the region covering Europe, Asia, Australia and Africa. Most Penumbral Lunar Eclipses cannot be easily distinguished from a usual Full Moon.

Lunar Eclipses, which may be total or partial, can occur only at Full Moon when Sun, Earth and Moon are in line. As the Sun is an extended light source, Earth's shadow has two components — a dark, central umbra, where the Sun is completely obscured, and a lighter outer penumbra, within which the obscuration is partial. During a Lunar Eclipse, the Moon passes first through the penumbra, taking about an hour, moving eastward by its own diameter in this time, to reach the western edge of the umbra. A Lunar Eclipse occurs when the Moon passes through the umbral region of the Earth's shadow and becomes imperceptible. Lunar Eclipse is discernible from a large part of the Earth.

The complete details of Penumbral Lunar Eclipse at Mysuru are given below in Indian Standard Time (IST):

Astronomical Event

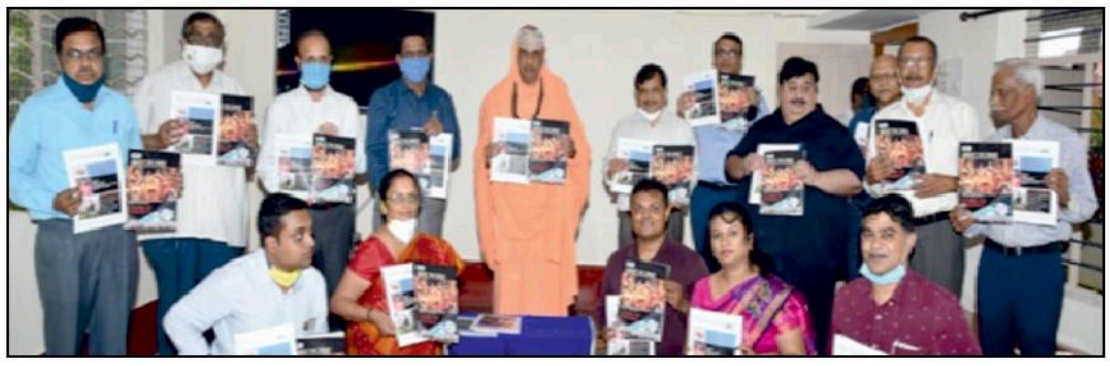
• Penumbral Lunar Eclipse (June 5 - 6) • Penumbral Eclipse begins at (Earth's Penumbra touching the face of Moon) - 11:15 pm (June 5) • Maximum Phase of Eclipse - 12: 54 am (June 6) • Eclipse Ends - 2: 34 am (June 6) • Moon enters Penumbra - 10: 15 pm (June 5) • Moon leaves Penumbra - 2: 44 am (June 6) • Total Duration of Eclipse - 3 h 18 m • Magnitude of Penumbral Eclipse - 0.41 • Visibility in India - Visible as Penumbral Eclipse

At Mysuru, the best viewing location is from Chamundi Hill or any secluded location which is to be free from contaminated light. The most awaited annular/ partial Solar Eclipse falls on June 21 of this year, wherein it can be seen from a few places in Northern India. But from Mysuru, this will be a partial Solar Eclipse. So, do not forget to witness the Penumbral Lunar Eclipse tonight. The next Penumbral Lunar Eclipse of this year is on July 4-5.

— **Rtn. PHF Dr. S.A. Mohan Krishna,**
Observational Astronomer

Launch of 'Amidst the Crisis'

A special bulletin on COVID-19



Seen are (from left – standing) Dr. G.V. Manjunath, Satishchandra, Dr. Surinder Singh, Dr. C.G. Betsurmath, Sri Shivarathri Deshikendra Swamiji, Dr. H. Basavanagowdappa, Dr. B. Manjunatha, Dr. B. Suresh, Dr. Col. M. Dayananda, Dr. P.A. Kushalappa, Dr. M. Guruswamy; (sitting) Dr. D. Sunil Kumar, Dr. M.N. Suma, Dr. Anil S. Bilimale, Dr. C.S. Vidya and Dr. V. Prashant.

Mysuru, June 5- JSS Medical College, a constituent college of JSS Academy of Higher Education & Research (JSS AHER), Mysuru, has contributed to a great extent in all the areas of Coronavirus response-related events like academics, research and patient care.

In this regard, a special bulletin was documented and compiled to reveal the way the Institution, the administrators, health care professionals and alumni of the organisation have contributed in various ways during this battle.

This special illustration book was released by Sri Shivarathri Deshikendra Swamiji and the leaders of JSS AHER. Initially, JSS Medical College Principal Dr. H. Basavanagowdappa gave the background of activities and services and how documenting their efforts is a one-time event in history that will motivate future generations to come.

Sri Shivarathri Deshikendra Swamiji invited his leadership team to symbolically e-launch this Special Bulletin on COVID-19 'Amidst the Crisis' and wholeheartedly appreciated the efforts of everyone and encouraged them to do more of such activities to serve the humanity.

"This is a memorable document to rejoice the positive outcomes of pandemic and unfold the potential capabilities of the institution to face such challenges. We acknowledge and compliment the committed service rendered by all our colleagues, HODs, COVID-task force, and alumni across the world. We appreciate the selfless service offered by all the core clinical departments, nursing and supporting staff," said a press release from the Institution.

Neuro-anatomy made easy through digital content for distance learning: Digital content to make learning easy for medical students, prepared by Dr. C.S. Vidya, Professor of Anatomy on Neuroanatomy, was launched through YouTube by JSS Mahavidyapeetha Executive Secretary Dr. C.G. Betsurmath.

Dr. Vidya

QS I-GAUGE E-LEAD Certification: QS international rating and the ranking agency has certified JSS AHER for e-learning excellence, academic digitalisation with a score of 150/150 validating that JSS AHER is a fully equipped leader in the e-learning platform. This award was presented virtually.

Dr. Renu Bhatra, former Additional Secretary, University Grants Commission (UGC), was the chief guest and Dr. Krishna Ella, Chairman and Managing Director, Bharat Biotech International Limited, was the guest of honour during the virtual award ceremony.

IJHAS Special issue on COVID-19: The International Journal of Health and Allied Sciences (IJHAS), an official publication of JSS AHER, has published a special issue on COVID-19. The health care professionals, chemists, biologists, social scientists, economists, policy makers, funding agencies and the industry are all working towards fighting the Corona pandemic and it is important that more of science needs to be published to feed the right information to the media and public. This special issue is an attempt in this direction and maybe of value to several thousands of health professionals who are presently engaged in the fight against Coronavirus.

Dr. H. Basavanagowdappa, Principal of JSS Medical College, gave the background of activities and services. Pro-Chancellor of JSS AHER Dr. B. Suresh appreciated how everyone stood for the case during this unprecedented pandemic.

Executive Secretary of JSS Mahavidyapeetha Dr. C.G. Betsurmath conveyed his gratitude to all the COVID warriors and the leaders in motivating the healthcare workers to contribute to this cause. Vice-Chancellor of JSS AHER Dr. Surinder Singh proposed a vote of thanks.

SDM-IMD gets Business School Impact System Certification

Mysuru, June 5- SDM Institute for Management Development (SDM-IMD), Mysuru, is the first institute in Southern India and second in the country to secure Business School Impact System (BSIS) Certification from European Federation for Management Development (EFMD).

The expert team from BSIS headed by Dr. Michael Kalika examined the impact made by the Institute on the education, business development, intellectual, regional eco-system, societal, visibility and financial. The expert team has appreciated the Institute's notable impact on the region and at the national level. The representation of students from 20 plus States, 100% placement record, quality research publications by the faculty, institute networking with local and national bodies, association with industry, association, press, government institutions and civic bodies has made SDM-IMD to earn good points. The involvement of the Institute in organising events to introduce the cultural, social and professional image of Mysuru has earned appreciation from the committee.

The BSIS Impact quality stamp to SDM-IMD has added another feature to the cap with 2 International Accreditations – Accreditation Council of Business School Programs (ACBSP) from USA and EFMD's Program Accreditation System (EPAS) for Europe. The BSIS impact has made SDM-IMD to identify, measure and assess the impact on the society at large, according to Dr. M.V. Sunil, Media Officer, SDM-IMD.

VOICE OF THE READER

Train service between Mysuru and Bengaluru: Suggestion to SWR

Sir,

The train service between Bengaluru and Mysuru, which has been started, is having a poor response due to its timings.

The timing from Bengaluru at 9.20 am and from Mysuru at 1.45 pm has been serving no purpose. Even a 14 coach train having a capacity of 1,400 carries only 150 passengers each way.

It would be ideal if South Western Railways (SWR) replaces this service by a 7 coach MEMU, starting Mysuru at 6.30 am and from Bengaluru at the same time. Return journey can be fixed at 5.30 pm on both sides.

Hope, SWR changes the timings from June 8, 2020 instead of continuing with this unrealistic timings.

— A.V. Prasanna
on e-mail

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Vehicular traffic density increasing day by day in city

Mysuru, June 5 (MTY&KS)- The density of vehicular traffic (private vehicles), which was reduced to a minimum during complete lockdown is now increasing day by day in city despite schools not being reopened and only a few KSRTC and private buses plying on city roads.

Though there is a delay in the operation of public transport including trains and hotels, religious places, and tourist places yet to open, the city is already witnessing increase in vehicular traffic. If every service begins, there would be traffic snarls and jams on city roads.

As of now, a large number of vehicles can be seen on Hunsur Road, KRS Road, JLB Road, Sayyaji Rao Road, Mahatma Gandhi (MG) Road, Dhanvantri Road, D. Devaraj Urs Road, Chamaraja Double Road and other prominent roads in city. Most of the parking spaces are full almost daily and motorists are now finding it difficult to find a space to park their vehicles.

Security guard goes missing

Mysuru, June 5 (KS)- A 55-year-old security guard, who left his house on March 15 at about 11.30 am saying that he was going for work, has since gone missing.

The missing security guard is Gangadhar. Those having any information about the missing person may contact Kuvempunagar Police Station on Ph: 0821-2418324, Mob: 94808-02247 or call Police Control Room on Ph: 0821-2418339.

Obituary

Maria Sagay Nadan

Mysuru, June 5- Maria Sagay Nadan (60), a resident of N.R. Mohalla, passed away yesterday in city.

He leaves behind his wife, two daughters and a host of relatives and friends.

Funeral was held at the Catholic Cemetery on Mahadevapura Road in Gandhinagar this morning, according to family sources.

Vanajakshi Varsha

Vanajakshi Varsha (40), wife of Dr. M.P. Varsha of Credit-I, passed away yesterday evening in city.

She leaves behind her husband, daughter Rachana Varsha and a host of relatives and friends. Last rites were performed at the foot of Chamundi Hill this noon, according to family sources.

Corona-free Chamarajanagar

Union Health Minister calls up Green District DC; lauds efforts

Chamarajanagar, June 5 (SS &BCT)- Chamarajanagar has earned the distinction of becoming the only Corona-free District in Karnataka and the district has maintained the distinction and has gained national attention too. Yesterday, Union Health and Family Welfare Minister Dr. Harsh Vardhan called up Chamarajanagar Deputy Commissioner (DC) Dr. M.R. Ravi and congratulated him for maintaining a COVID-free status.

Dr. Harsh Vardhan and Dr. M.R. Ravi

The Union Minister was particularly appreciative of the fact that Chamarajanagar has been able to achieve a Green status despite sharing borders with Tamil Nadu and Kerala where high incidents of COVID-19 are being reported day in and day out.

Dr. Harsh Vardhan asked the DC to maintain the status and appreciated the efforts of the District Officers where testing have picked up full pace and a large population is being covered under the net. Large-scale testing, tight borders, increased vigil, effective monitoring by all block level, taluk level and district level officers have yielded the results, the Minister said.

Not that there were no suspect cases in Chamarajanagar. The district had its share of participants in a religious gathering in Delhi as well as international passengers returning home. Close to 3,000 suspected cases have been tested so far and all have turned negative.

There was a constant vigil at the borders from January itself and strict enforcement of home quarantine for all Tamil Nadu and Kerala returnees was ensured with help from villagers. Chamarajanagar has also received requests of migrants from Maharashtra, Delhi, Gujarat, Rajasthan, Tamil Nadu wanting to come back home. The district has approved only emergency requests, said Dr. Ravi.

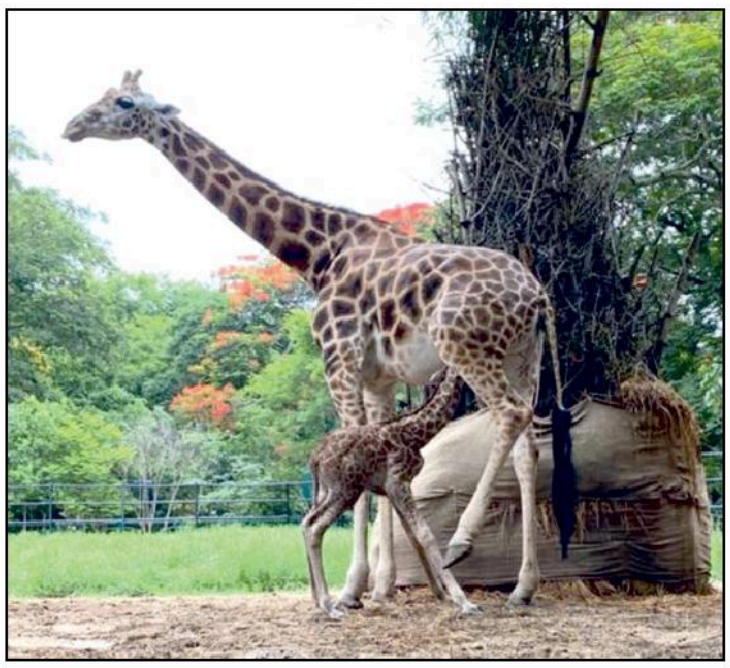
Rigorous screening at checkposts set up on the borders has enabled Chamarajanagar to remain a Green Zone. Lockdown in the district was strictly enforced from the very first week of March. There are six checkposts across Chamarajanagar and the officials and staff subject every person entering the district to stringent medical examination.

"Over 900 people had registered in the Seva Sindhu portal from various outer State places and the Chamarajanagar administration has only approved 400 emergency cases. Of them, 97 have arrived so far. Close to 200 persons who had entered the district from other States bypassing the Seva Sindhu portal approval were traced by villagers and they were all quarantined," he said, attributing the success of the district to extended cooperation from villagers too.

"I had not expected Union Health Minister's call. I felt happy and I was glad to receive the call. Chamarajanagar has gained national attention and we will do our best in retaining the Green status," the DC added.

Giraffe Mary gives birth to male calf at Zoo

Mysuru, June 5 (MTY)- Mary, the female giraffe at Sri Chamarajendra Zoological Gardens, popularly known as Mysuru Zoo, has given birth to a healthy male calf on May 30. The Zoo, which is closed for public following the nationwide lockdown due to Corona pandemic, is expected to be open to public in couple of days with orders awaited from the Government.



Including the newly-born calf, the number of the giraffe at the Zoo now stands at 8 with 4 male and 4 female. It may be recalled that another giraffe Kushi had given birth to a male calf on March 8 at the Zoo.

Mysuru Zoo has to its credit of giving giraffe in animal exchange programme to other States. It may be mentioned here that Mysuru Zoo had successfully shifted 14-month-old giraffe 'Chamarajendra' to Assam State Zoo-cum-Botanical Garden at Guwahati by road (3,200 km) in December last year and had shifted 17-month-old 'Yadunandan' to Bannerghatta Biological Park in Bengaluru in April this year to be paired with 'Gowri' who was shifted from Mysuru Zoo in 2018.

Computer Training under Govt. projects

Mysuru, June 5- The Rashtriya Computer Saksharatha Samithi (RCSS) has invited applications for various computer training programmes under the Government projects.

Certified faculties will deliver the programme on C, C++, Computer Hardware and Networking, Tally, Basic, Kannada Nudi, Typing and many more.

This programme will be useful for SSLC/ PUC/ Degree/ Diploma/ ITI students.

Special batches are also available for housewives and professionals.

Those interested may register their names at #665, 1st Floor, Nrupatunga Road, Kuvempunagar, Mysuru - 23.

Candidates should compulsory wear face mask and use sanitiser at the time of registration. For details, contact Mob: 93802-31665 or 99647-90442, according to a press release.

Seven forest officers in soup over assault, filing false case

Cases booked against them at Hanur Police Station near Chamarajanagar after the assault video went viral

Hanur, June 5 (Somashekar &BCT)- Seven Forest Department employees are in the dock for allegedly assaulting and filing a false illegal fishing case against four persons in Hanur village near Chamarajanagar. Interestingly, the case came to light as the forest employees made video of the assault and later uploaded the same on social media and the incident came to the knowledge of senior officers.

A case has been booked in Hanur Police Station against Cauvery Wildlife Area Kothanur Beat forest staff Anil Valikar, Madhukumar, Pundalika Kattekara, Raghavendra Rathod, Anil Padashetty, Challakeri Mahesh and Madesh.

Cases have been filed against them under IPC Sections 143, 147, 148, 341, 323, 324, 504, 506, 114 and 119 — unlawful assembly, rioting, armed with deadly weapon, wrongful restraint, voluntarily causing hurt with a weapon, provocation to break public peace, criminal intimidation, abetting a crime and public servant concealing design to commit offence while it is his duty to prevent.

Details: On April 21, Vincent, a resident of Sathegala Jageri in Kollegal Taluk, had been to Shiluvepura to his uncle's place. On that day at around 5 am, the accused Forest Department officers requested Vincent and his friends Sagayaraj, Savarinagan and Jnanaprakash to help the Department to douse forest fire in the Cauvery Wildlife Area.

Vincent and friends readily agreed and went to the forest where there was indeed a forest fire. Seeing the intensity of the fire, the four youths told the forest employees that it would be difficult to extinguish such a big fire with limited men and resources.

Enraged by this, the Department staff took the four youths to Bheemeshwari Camp in Kothanur Range and tied their hands to their backs to allegedly assault them. The Department staff allegedly assaulted the youth with sticks and rifle butts. Meanwhile, a video was made of the assault.

Later, the forest staff fabricated a complaint that the four persons were indulging in illegal fishing in a river and planted evidence to look like the four friends had fishing nets, knives, guns and gun powder in their possession. They booked them under various provisions of Forest Act and Wildlife Act and sent them to jail.

Not stopping at this, the forest staff uploaded the assault video on social media which went viral and the video was observed by senior officers. The issue lay dormant for some time until the four youths were released on bail. After securing bail, Vincent approached the Hanur Police Station and explained the facts of the incident and also showed the Police the viral video.

Vincent explained to the Police and also filed a complaint that stated that the assault was to avenge a case that was booked under Protection of Children from Sexual Offences (POCSO) Act, 2012. Forest Watcher Ayyandorai's son was arrested in 2018 under the POCSO Act. Vincent told the Police that the Forest Department staff were avenging the arrest by assaulting them (four friends).

On the basis of the video, cases have been booked against Anil Valikar, Madhukumar, Pundalika Kattekara, Raghavendra Rathod, Anil Padashetty, Challakeri Mahesh and Madesh. The Hanur Police are investigating.

Rare Ornate Flying Snake spotted at a house on Ramanuja Road

Escapes before being rescued

Mysuru, June 5 (MTY&KS)- A rare snake found in the Western Ghats, Bihar, Odisha, WB, UP, Northeast India and South East Asia, that made its appearance on the grill of the door of a house on Ramanuja Road yesterday, disappeared before the snake rescuer could rescue it. The rare snake that appeared on Thursday at the house of S. Venkataramu is the Ornate Flying Snake. On seeing the snake, the family members called rescuer Snake Shivu and by the time he arrived the snake had moved away.

Shivu, speaking to *SOM* said that Ornate Flying Snake is found in the Western Ghats and suspected that any goods vehicles that were stranded for many days in Western Ghats region due to lockdown may have carried the snake accidentally to city after permission was given to them to operate. He said that though he could see the snake he was unable to reach the spot and the snake escaped.

An Ornate Flying Snake (Chrysopelea ornata) is capable of gliding in air by flattening their body, at times, almost twice their normal width. They appear to exhibit this behaviour to avoid predators.

Snake Shyam rescues Cobra from bedroom

Mysuru, June 5 (KS)- A Cobra that had entered the bedroom of a house where a mother and her pregnant daughter were sleeping and took refuge under a suitcase has been rescued by city's well-known snake rescuer and wildlife conservationist Snake Shyam at Siddalingapura near here on Wednesday midnight.

The Cobra was rescued from the house of one Madesh. At about 12.45 am, a Cobra about 5 ft. long that had entered the bedroom of the house began to hiss and the mother-daughter duo, who heard the hissing sound switched on the lights only to see the big snake at a distance.

The shocked family members ran out of the house screaming which attracted a large crowd in front of Madesh's house. Meanwhile, someone in the crowd called Snake Shyam over the phone and informed him about the snake's presence.

Snake Shyam, who arrived at the spot in 30 minutes, rescued the Cobra which had taken refuge under a suitcase under the cot and later released it into the wild. On Thursday night too, Snake Shyam has rescued a snake each at Vijayanagar 4th Stage and Hinkal.

Lethal attack on MLA Tanveer Sait

High Court grants conditional bail to four accused

Tanveer Sait

Mysuru, June 5 (YDS&KS)- The Karnataka High Court (HC) yesterday granted conditional bail to four accused in the attempt to murder cases on Narasimharaja (NR) Constituency MLA Tanveer Sait.

The accused who were granted bail are Noor Khan, Akram, Syed Muheeb and Abdulla Baig. Single Bench Judge K.S. Mudgal, who heard the bail pleas, granted them conditional bail. The accused had earlier filed bail petitions at City's JMFC Court and the same was rejected.

It may be recalled that on the night of Nov. 17, 2019, Tanveer Sait was attacked with a cleaver at the wedding reception in Bannimantap Grounds and the profusely bleeding Sait was rushed to a private hospital in city where he underwent surgeries for the injuries caused by the murderous attack. The public had caught the attacker and had beaten him black and blue before handing him over to the Police.

Special Police teams were formed to nab others involved in the lethal attack and were arrested after a few days. The accused were subjected to interrogation and the Police had filed the charge-sheet against them.

After being discharged from the city hospital, Sait had left for Bengaluru for rest and had come to city a few months ago to identify the accused in Mysuru Jail. Sait left for Bengaluru soon after the identification parade process was completed and is still under rest in Bengaluru.

Newly married woman ends life over husband's alleged affair

Mysuru, June 5 (YDS&KS)- Depressed over her husband's alleged illicit affair, a 24-year-old woman committed suicide by hanging at Anandanagar in city last evening. A case has been registered at Saraswathipuram Police Station.

The woman has been identified as Bhavana. She had got married to Ajay, a software engineer just a month ago. After marriage and while seeing her husband's mobile phone, apparently Bhavana found out her husband's sleazy photos with a woman indicating their alleged extra-marital affair, Police said.

She questioned Ajay about the woman and the issue reached family elders and it was a revelation to Ajay's family and they discussed the issue. Though a truce was brought between the fighting couple and a compromise was reached, Bhavana was upset about the issue and went into depression, the Police added.

Last evening, a dejected Bhavana wrote a suicide note and hung herself. In the death note, Bhavana has blamed none but herself for her extreme step. Saraswathipuram Police, who have registered a case of suicide, are investigating.

Staggering of visitors, disposable menus

Guidelines for hotels, malls, religious places ahead of re-opening

New Delhi, June 5 (UNI)- The Centre yesterday released a set of guidelines for religious and commercial establishments set to reopen on Monday (June 8) after a gap of over two months. As the phase-1 of Unlock India comes into effect on Monday, the Union Ministry of Health and Family Welfare has issued the standard operating procedure (SOP) to contain the spread of COVID-19 at the places being reopened.

Generic Preventive Measures

The generic preventive measures include simple health measures that are to be followed to reduce the risk of COVID-19.

• Individuals must maintain a minimum distance of 6 feet in public places as far as feasible. • Use of face covers/masks to be mandatory. • Practice hand washing with soap even when hands are not visibly dirty. • Cover mouth and nose while coughing/ sneezing with a tissue/ handkerchief/flexed elbow and dispose of used tissues properly. • Spitting should be strictly prohibited. • Installation and use of Aarogya Setu app shall be advised to all.

Religious places shall also ensure

• Entrance to have mandatory hand hygiene (sanitiser dispenser) and thermal screening provisions. • Only asymptomatic persons shall be allowed in the premises. • Entry only if a person is using face cover/ masks. • Staggering of visitors to be done, if possible. • Touching of statues/idols / holy books etc. not to be allowed. • Large gatherings/congregation continue to remain prohibited. • In view of potential threat of spread of infection, as far as feasible recorded devotional music/songs may be played and choir or singing groups should not be allowed. • Avoid physical contact while greeting each other. • Common prayer mats should be avoided and devotees should bring their own prayer mat or piece of cloth which they may take back with them. • No physical offerings like Prasad/distribution or sprinkling of holy water, etc. to be allowed inside the religious place. • Community kitchens at religious places should follow physical distancing norms while preparing and distributing food. • Frequent cleaning and disinfection to be maintained by the management of the religious place.

SOPs that shopping malls shall follow

• Entrance to have mandatory hand hygiene (sanitiser dispenser) and thermal screening provisions. • Only asymptomatic customers/visitors shall be allowed. • All workers/customers/visitors to be allowed entry only if using face cover/masks. • The face cover/ masks has to be worn at all times inside the shopping mall. • Adequate manpower shall be deployed by mall management for ensuring social distancing norms. • All employees who are at higher risk, that is, older employees, pregnant employees and employees who have underlying medical conditions, to take extra precautions. They should preferably not be exposed to any frontline work requiring direct contact with the public. Shopping Mall management to facilitate work from home wherever feasible. • Proper crowd management in the parking lots and outside the premises — duly following social distancing norms shall be ensured. • Any shops, stalls, cafeteria, etc. outside and within the premises shall follow social distancing norms at all times. • Specific markings may be made with sufficient distance to manage the queue and ensure social distancing in the premises. • The staff for home deliveries shall be screened thermally by the shopping mall authorities prior to allowing home deliveries.

SOPs for hotels to follow

• Adequate manpower shall be deployed by hotel management for ensuring social distancing norms. • Staff should additionally wear gloves and take other required precautionary measures. • All employees who are at higher risk, that is, older employees, pregnant employees and employees who have underlying medical conditions, to take extra precautions. They should preferably not be exposed to any frontline work requiring direct contact with the public. Hotel management to facilitate work from home wherever feasible. • Details of the guest (travel history, medical condition, etc.) along with ID and self-declaration form must be provided by the guest at the reception. • Posters/standees/AV media on preventive measures about COVID-19 to be displayed prominently. • Hand sanitisers must be kept at the reception for guests to use. Guests to sanitizse hands before and after filling relevant forms including A&D register. • Hotels must adopt contact-less processes like QR code, online forms, digital payments like e-wallet, etc. for both check-in and check-out. • Luggage should be disinfected before sending it to the rooms. • Guests who are at higher risk, that is, those who are older, pregnant, or those who have underlying medical conditions are advised to take extra precautions. • Guests should be advised not to visit areas falling within the containment zone. • Required precautions while handling supplies, inventories and goods in the hotel shall be ensured. Proper queue management and disinfection shall be organised.

SOPs for restaurants to follow

• Takeaways to be encouraged, instead of Dine-In. Food delivery personnel should leave the packet at customer's door. Do not handover the food packet directly to the customer. • The staff for home deliveries shall be screened thermally by the restaurant authorities prior to allowing home deliveries. • Entrance to have mandatory hand hygiene (sanitiser dispenser) and thermal screening provisions. • Only asymptomatic staff & patrons shall be allowed. • All staff and patrons to be allowed entry only if using face cover/ masks. The face cover/masks have to be worn at all times inside the restaurant. • Posters/standees/AV media on preventive measures about COVID-19 to be displayed prominently. • Staggering of patrons to be done, if possible. • Adequate manpower shall be deployed by restaurant management for ensuring social distancing norms. • Additional patrons to be seated in a designated waiting area with norms of social distancing. • Specific markings may be made with sufficient distance to manage the queue and ensure social distancing in the premises. • Preferably separate entry and exits for patrons, staff and goods/supplies shall be organised. • Required precautions while handling supplies, inventories and goods in the restaurant shall be ensured. Proper queue management and disinfection shall be organised. • Seating arrangements to be made in such a way that adequate social distancing is maintained. In restaurants, not more than 50% of seating capacity to be permitted. • Disposable menus are advised to be used. Instead of cloth napkins, use of good quality disposable paper napkins to be encouraged. • Deep cleaning of all washrooms shall be ensured at regular intervals. • Staff / waiters should wear mask and hand gloves and take other required precautionary measures.

Newly built 463 houses handed over to flood victims of 2018 in Kodagu

Madikeri, June 5 (UNI)- Karnataka Minister for Revenue R. Ashok has said that a Rs. 10 crore grant would be released shortly for construction of a permanent building for 'Relief Centre' in Kodagu district which is vulnerable to floods because of its hilly landscape.

According to an official release, the Minister symbolically handed over the newly-built houses to flood victims of 2018 at Jamboor in Somwarpet last evening. He said that whenever the 'Relief Centre' is vacant it will be used for Govt. meetings.

"Four NDRF teams have arrived and will be stationed in Kodagu, Dakshina Kannada, Belagavi and Dharwad districts till the end of monsoon," Ashok said adding that "the Chief Minister has been handling the COVID-19 situation well".

The Centre had granted Rs. 1,039 crore for disaster management in Karnataka this year and Rs. 395 crore has already been released, he added.

Kodagu District In-charge Minister V. Somanna said that 463 houses had been handed over to the beneficiaries. Earlier, 35 houses were provided to the flood victims in Karnangeri. As many as 250 houses are being built by Infosys Foundation. Rest of the houses will be handed over soon, he added.

The Rajiv Gandhi Housing Corporation Limited constructed the houses on the sites developed on Government land and each house has been constructed at a cost of Rs. 9.84 lakh. According to the district administration, each house is built on 30X40 sq. ft dimension and has two bedrooms, a hall, and a kitchen. In June last year over 35 houses had already been handed over to the victims at Karnangeri near Madikeri. Due to the COVID outbreak, there was no formal function and the title deeds were handed over to the victims symbolically. Rajiv Gandhi Housing Corporation Engineer Srinivas said that 383 houses in Jamboor and 80 houses in Made village had been handed over to the beneficiaries.

DC Annies Kanmani Joy, Superintendent of Police Dr. Suman D. Pennekar, Additional DC Dr. Sneha and Assistant Commissioner T. Javaregowda were present among others.

Chief Minister orders continuance of Home Guards' services

Bengaluru, June 5 (KMS & DM)- A couple of days after the Government mulled relieving Home Guards of service, Chief Minister B.S. Yediyurappa has ordered continuance of services of more than 3,000 Home Guards across the State.

Chairing a progress review meeting of Home Department at his home office 'Krishnaa' here yesterday, Yediyurappa lauded the service of Police and Home Guards in the battle against the deadly COVID-19.

Asking the Department officials to strengthen CEN (Cyber Crime, Economic Offence and Narcotics) Police Stations in the current scenario where Cybercrimes, Economic Offences and selling of banned Narcotics (drugs) are on the rise, the CM stressed on the need for bringing about reforms in the working of the Department.

Directing the officials to continue the services of Home Guards, Yediyurappa said they can be deputed to other Departments. Also the Department may consider sending them to private organisations too, he noted.

Giving details about the Department's preparedness for tackling monsoon, officials said that 200 SDRF (State Disaster Response Force) personnel are currently undergoing training and after training, they can be considered for deployment at all the four Divisions of the State.

Tree plantation and cleanliness drive by SWR Mysuru

Mysuru, June 5- World Environment Day was celebrated today by South Western Railway (SWR), Mysuru Division, wherein tree plantation was done by Divisional Railway Manager (DRM) Aparna Garg and other Senior Railway Officers of Mysuru Division. As many as 30 saplings of Silver Spruce were planted along with Railway boundary on KRS Road. The thin stream of surplus water from Vani Vilas Water Works which passes through Railway ground was cleared of plastic waste and garbage. This area which falls in the heart of the city on KRS road has been given a facelift. This will add a visible green cover to the area. A dry leaf collector and composting unit is proposed to be setup in the vicinity.

On the occasion, the DRM

administered 'Swachhta Pledge' to Officers and Staff which binds them to devote at least two hours per week of Shramdaan towards cleanliness.

In tune with the theme for the year "Celebrating Biodiversity" a video clip was also launched emphasising balanced eco system. This was followed by a Webinar on the subject organised by General Manager's Office, South Western Railway (SWR).

Special cleaning drive was also launched in different stations of the division at Subramanya Road, Arsikere, Davangere, Shivamogga and Coaching depots. An online activity competition for staff and their wards on 'biodiversity' evoked good response.

City celebrates Environment Day

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District Co-operative Union President H.V. Rajeev, who is also the President of Hasiru Mysuru, said "All the saplings we plant, we have to grow it with responsibility; only then natural calamity can be handled. Hasiru Mysuru every year distributes 15,000 plants to public for free. Those who take saplings must also take care of it. We will follow up with that. Through this initiative, we will make people to think of environment. Only then, in future we can make Mysuru more greener and public should join hands in this initiative."

District Minister Somashekar said: "Those who take saplings and plant them should also nurture them. I will take random count of it, verify and count them."

Regarding Chamundi Hill encroachment, he said, "Revenue Department will clear the encroachment. Water facility will be provided atop Chamundi Hill and will see to it that the saplings planted will be taken care of. We have plans of planting one lakh saplings in Mysuru. I will invite two Ministers and two officials to Mysuru to work on all these."

"Forest Department is working on planting 27 lakh saplings in three years which has got a go today. Along with that, additional three lakh saplings will be planted. ZP CEO should see that planting of saplings take place in every village. At city level, MCC should keep a track of this. MUDA and Police Department should also work in this regard in their limits. Not only planting but also taking care of the saplings was of utmost importance," he reiterated.

MLA S.A. Ramdas said that from July 1, two saplings will be distributed to 80,000 houses coming under KR Constituency and added that those who take saplings, must update about its growth the next year.

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Minister S.T. Somashekar, DC Abhiram G. Sankar, SP C.B. Ryshyanth, MLAs L. Nagendra and S.A. Ramdas, District Co-operative Union President H.V. Rajeev and others were present.

A KAS Officer and staff will work at this Office. Public can visit the Minister's Office during working hours from 9.30 am to 5 pm and air their grievances. If the problem can be solved at their level, they would do it or if it has to be solved at higher level, it would be brought to the notice of the District Minister and solution provided.

More grants utilised to maintain green cover of Gangothri: VC

Mysuru, June 5 (RK&BNR)- District Minister S.T. Somashekar planted saplings near Library building in Manasagangothri premises as part of World Environment Day celebrations organised by University of Mysore (UoM). Vice-Chancellor (VC) Prof. G. Hemantha Kumar, MLC Sandesh Nagaraj, MCC Commissioner Gurudatta Hegde and others were present.

Speaking on the occasion, Prof. Hemantha Kumar apprised the Minister saying: "We have plans to plant 10,000 red sanders saplings at Manasagangothri campus. If we plant red sanders it would be a good resource to the University in future. To maintain green cover in Gangothri campus and to conserve environment, we have been utilising more grants and also working on the same."

Plant hard trunk trees: MCC Comr.

Mysuru, June 5- Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) Commissioner Gurudutta Hegde has recommended planting of strong trunk trees like gulmarg or gul mohur, spathodea, pichkiya, copper-pod, subabul, Singapore cherry, muntingia, neem, syzygium cumini, aegle marmelos, phyllanthus emblica, syzygium jambos, tamarind and saraca asoca trees in the city.

He has appealed to volunteers, NGOs and citizens, who plant saplings of trees by the road side, in parks and graveyard, under the jurisdiction of MCC, to consider his suggestion in the wake of complaints on uprooting of trees, following heavy rain, accompanied by winds.

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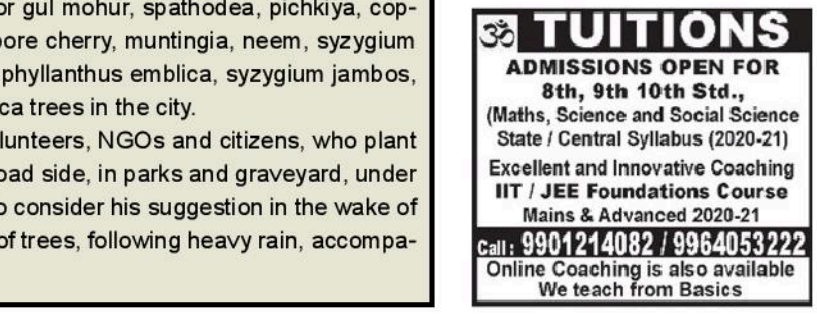
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